

Uruguayan Papers Publish Purported National Intelligence Estimate

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[Under the title "The Latin American Revolution Seen by Its Principal Enemy," the Montevideo pro-Communist daily Epoca of 7 November 1964 carried a summary of what is purported to be a National Intelligence Estimate on political change and the dread of Communism in Latin America. This "secret report of the CIA" supposedly came from Washington correspondent Leopoldo Aragon as an Epoca "exclusive." The text of the Epoca summary appears below.]

This is possibly the first time a foreign correspondent has had access to a complete CIA document. It is a 45-page work divided into 62 topics of world interest, written by agent Willard Matthias, of the CIA Board of National Estimates. The document carries the signature of Sherman Kent, Chairman of the Board, who notes that the document has "the general approval of the board, although general agreement on each point is not intended." The following chapters are in the document:

- I. Introduction
- II. The Evolutionary Role and the Relationship of Military Power
- III. Problems of the Communist World
- IV. Trends and the Advanced Non-Communist Countries
- V. Problems and Trends in the Underdeveloped Areas
 - Latin America
 - Africa
 - Near East
 - Southeast Asia
- VI. Some Implications of the New Balance of Power

The part dealing with Latin America consists of five points (36-40) and, as will be seen, is a professional analytical summary, the product of sober intelligent study, and therefore very different from the inconstancy of propaganda and pronouncements to the public. The study carries the warning "FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY" at the top and bottom of each page. Thus, perhaps for the first time, the public Latin American reader has the opportunity to read some things about their countries that are thought and said in the private circles of the US Government.

Revolutionary Native Movements

Against what is currently said as an article of faith in the sense that Latin American unrest is a product of Communism and Castroism, point

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